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SUBJECT: SWEDISH AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURER SAAB-SCANIA HOPES TO
COLLABORATE WITH MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS ON PROJECTED NEW DC-9

1. SWEDISH INDUSTRY MINISTER ASLING SAID IN ADDRESS IN MALMO
ON APRIL 26 THAT SWEDISH MILITARY AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURING
COMPANY SAAB-SCANIA HAS SUBMITTED OFFERS TO US MCDONNELL-
DOUGLAS CORPORATION TO PARTICIPATE IN DEVELOPMENT OF AND
SUPPLY OF COMPONENTS FOR PROJECTED NEW VERSION OF DC-9,
DESIGNATED DC-9-55.

2. PRESS REPORTS SAY ASLING STATED SWEDISH GOVERNMENT'S
WILLINGNESS TO HELP SAAB-SCANIA WITH LOANS FOR DEVELOPMENT
WORK AND NECESSARY INVESTMENT TO TUNE OF SKR 35 MILLION
(ABOUT \$8 MILLION), WHICH IS HALF OF ESTIMATED INITIAL COST
TO SAAB-SCANIA SHOULD DEAL GO THROUGH. ONE OF SAAB-SCANIA'S
OFFERS REPORTEDLY INVOLVES NEW FLAP DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION.

3. TORE GULLSTRAND OF SAAB-SCANIA'S AIRCRAFT DIVISION,
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WHO HOPES TO RECEIVE AN ANSWER FROM MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS
BEFORE JULY THIS YEAR, WAS UNWILLING TO SAY WHAT
CHANCES HE THOUGHT SWEDISH FIRM HAD OF BEING ACCEPTED
BY MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS ON THIS PROJECT, BUT HE TOLD
PRESS THAT IF SAAB-SCANIA WERE ACCEPTED IT WOULD ONLY
MEAN ABOUT 100 JOBS AND THUS IN NO WAY SOLVE HIS FIRM'S
LONG-TERM EMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS. SHOULD THE SWEDISH

PARLIAMENT DECIDE THAT THERE WILL BE NO NEW GENERATION OF SWEDISH-MADE MILITARY AIRCRAFT, SAAB-SCANIA WILL HAVE TO TURN TO OTHER LINES OF PRODUCTION. ACCEPTANCE OF SAAB-SCANIA'S APPROACH TO MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS, THE PRESS NOTES, WOULD BE IMPORTANT IN THAT IT WOULD GIVE SWEDISH FIRM A FOOT IN THE CIVIL AVIATION INDUSTRY DOOR, AND THIS IS REPORTEDLY ONE OF REASONS WHY SWEDISH GOVERNMENT IS PREPARED TO HELP FINANCIALLY.

4. PRESS NOTES THAT MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS HAS APPROACHED SOME 20 AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS IN US AND EUROPE REQUESTING VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION PACKAGE OFFERS FOR PROJECTED DC-9.
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